

Delaware County Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 16, 2021, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Attendees:

Commission Members	Public
Rebecca Yurkovich	Christine Reuther
Thomas Shaffer	Jim McLaughlin
Mark Manfre	Mike Ewall
Ed Magargee	Ruth Abbe
Laura Goodrich-Cairns	Alex Danovich
Francine Locke	Others
Steve Clark	
Carol Martsolf	
Jaclyn Rhoads	
Scott Sidlow	
Jennie Saxe	
David Director	
Krystl Gauld	
Cephus Hales Richardson	

- 1. Welcome and Roll Call
 - a. Reviewed in-person meeting format
 - b. Reviewed Commission charge
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from November were approved
- 3. Re-Introduction of New Commission Members
 - a. Krystl Gauld
 - b. Cephus Hales Richardson
- 4. Chief Sustainability Officer Annual Report
 - a. First Annual Sustainability Report shared 4 stages of work being undertaken by the Commission
 - i. Discussed impacts of climate change on the most vulnerable populations
 - ii. Reviewed actions that Delaware County is taking to address climate change
 - iii. Reviewed organizational structure and accomplishments of the Departments under the CSO
 - A. Parks & Recreation
 - B. Planning Department
 - C. Facilities Management
 - D. Fleet
 - E. Facilities
 - F. Conservation
 - G. Public Works
- 5. Guest Speakers
 - a. Ruth Abbe (Zero Waste)
 - i. Reviewed proposed schedule projected to have final draft of plan in late 2022
 - ii. Project Approach
 - A. Scenarios for long-term waste disposal
 - B. Goal Setting/Community Engagement

- C. Facility Inventory/System Analysis
- D. Waste Management Activities
- E. Strategic Analysis/Life-Cycle Assessment
- F. Municipal Waste Management Plan
- b. Liz Compitello (DVPRC)
 - i. Regional PPA Partnership Bucks, Chester, Delaware & Montgomery explore aggregation for electricity procurement and renewable energy procurement for county operations
 - ii. Targeting GHG reductions
 - iii. Review of County renewable energy goals and actions
 - iv. Overview of current energy usage by county
 - v. Explained aggregation opportunities and hiring of consultant
- 6. Sustainability Plan Development Update & Request for Support the list of tasks will be distributed in early 2022
- 7. Subcommittee Updates
 - a. Zero Waste Task Force team meets every other week about support that can be provided to municipalities
- 8. New Business
 - a. New Officer Elections
 - i. Co-Chair Francine Locke
 - ii. Co-Chair Carol Martsolf
 - iii. Vice-Chair Jaclyn Rhoads
 - iv. Secretary Shawn Stancill
 - b. Proposed outreach or resource for helping community members easily find out how and when to recycle non-standard items. Commission proposed to distribute a flyer that will be sent to all residents.
- 9. Meeting Adjourned